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Maryland Network Against Domestic Violence

Maryland Coalition Against Sexual Assault

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Coalition Type

Domestic violence

Year Formed

Not determined

Year Incorporated

Not determined

Staff

Not determined

Fiscal Year

Not determined

This coalition declined to participate in this inventory; therefore, the domestic violence coalition section has been omitted from this report. However, the state agency section of the report includes information about the distribution of state funding to the Maryland Network Against Domestic Violence.

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Coalition Type

Sexual assault

Year Formed

1982

Year Incorporated

1983

Staff

1 full-time-equivalent staff member

Fiscal Year

July 1994 - June 1995

Maryland Coalition Against Sexual Assault

Member Programs and Services

All 18 sexual assault programs that operate in the state of Maryland are members of the Maryland Coalition Against Sexual Assault (MCASA). Most services are offered by more than half of the member programs, but there are less common services such as support groups for male victims and treatment/rehabilitation programs for sexual offenders. All member programs offer a support group for adult survivors of child sexual abuse (exhibit 1).

Sixty-one percent of the member programs have developed specific program components to meet the needs of special populations who utilize these services. Special populations served by the member programs include child sexual abuse victims, adolescents, low-income families, hearing impaired persons, and displaced homemakers.

**Exhibit 1. Number of coalition member programs (N=18)
offering various sexual assault services**

Number of programs	<u>Service</u>
16	Independently run sexual assault hotline
17	One-on-one counseling
17	Support group for adult women
13	Support group for teenage girls
5	Support group for male victims
18	Support group for adult survivors of child sexual abuse
9	Secondary support groups for spouses/partners of victims
9	Secondary support groups for parents of victims
17	Adult accompaniment and advocacy services
16	Child accompaniment and advocacy services
14	Legal advocacy program
15	Medical advocacy program
17	Prevention/risk reduction programs in preschool, elementary, middle, or high school
16	Education programs in colleges or universities
17	Community education/speakers bureau
18	Training for professionals (e.g., police, court personnel, social workers)
12	Technical assistance
1	Treatment/rehabilitation for sexual offenders
3	Other services (<i>child counseling, marriage and family counseling, and limited shelter through the Abused Persons Program</i>)

Ten of the 18 member programs offered services for both domestic violence and sexual assault (exhibit 2). All 10 of the dual programs offered independently run hotlines, services for non-sheltered children, education programs in elementary schools or high schools, community education/speakers bureau, and treatment/rehabilitation programs for batterers.

Exhibit 2. Number of coalition member programs (N=10) offering various domestic violence services

<u>Number of programs</u>	<u>Service</u>
10	Independently run domestic violence hotline
5	On-site shelter for abused women and their children
10	Support group for women
9	Legal advocacy program
7	Medical advocacy program
4	Specific support program for sheltered children
10	Services for non-sheltered children
10	Education programs in elementary schools or high schools
7	Education programs in colleges or universities
10	Community education/speakers bureau
9	Training for professionals (e.g., police, court personnel, social workers)
1	Transitional/second-stage housing
10	Treatment/rehabilitation program for batterers
2	Other services (<i>emergency shelter at hotels</i>)

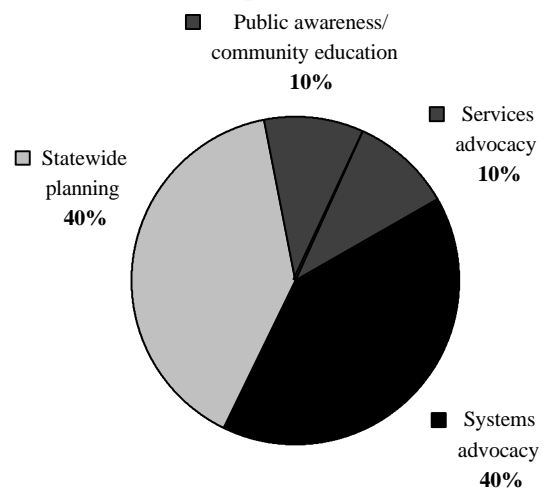
Sexual Assault Coalition Operations

Forty percent of the coalition's efforts were spent working on policy and/or procedural change in order to improve the institutional response to sexual assault, classified as services advocacy in figure 1. Another 40 percent was dedicated to statewide planning. Ten percent of effort supported the growth and development of community-based sexual assault operations in the state of Maryland, and 10 percent was spent on public awareness/community education.

Special Projects of the Sexual Assault Coalition

The Maryland Coalition Against Sexual Assault did not note any special projects undertaken during fiscal year 1994-95.

Figure 1. Percentage of effort allocated at the sexual assault coalition level among various operations



Sexual Assault Coalition Funding

The total amount of funding received by the coalition during fiscal year 1994-95 was in the lowest quartile of funding (\$70,000 or less) when compared to other sexual assault coalitions in the inventory. The entire amount of funding was received from sources other than the federal or state government, specifically through local programs dues. Most of the income the coalition received was used to support the work of the coalition. The funds were not passed back to local programs. About 20 percent of incoming money was retained for the next fiscal year.

Nongovernmental Funding Sources

During fiscal year 1994-95, local program dues were the sole source of income for this sexual assault coalition (exhibit 3).

Exhibit 3. Sources of nongovernmental funding* reported by the Maryland Coalition Against Sexual Assault	
<u>Source</u>	<u>Percentage of nongovernmental funding</u>
Local program dues	100%

*Nongovernmental funding was 100% of total funding.

Maryland State Government Agencies

Three state agencies provided funding for domestic violence and sexual assault programming and prevention during fiscal years 1994-95 and 1995-96. All distributed domestic violence and sexual assault funds, and one agency, the Maryland Department of Human Resources, was able to report separately on funding for domestic violence and sexual assault. It is important to note that the Maryland Department of Human Resources and Victims of Crime Fund reported for fiscal year 1994-95, but the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene reported for fiscal year 1995-96.

Maryland Department of Human Resources, Women's Services Program

Fiscal year: July 1994- June 1995

Between July 1994 and June 1995, the Department of Human Resources distributed \$4,016,000 for both domestic violence and sexual assault services and prevention. A little over half of the funding (\$2,237,000) was used for domestic violence services, and the remaining \$1,779,000 was used in the fight against sexual assault. The majority of this funding (\$2,930,000) was provided by the state government, from tax revenues/general fund. The remaining \$1,086,000 was received from the federal government through the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) state formula grant, Victims of Crime Act (VOCA), and from a Preventive Health Block Grant.

The Maryland Department of Human Resources distributed \$2,237,000 for domestic violence services during fiscal year 1994-95, \$1,388,000 from the state, and \$849,000 from the federal government. All state funds distributed through the agency were received from tax revenues and the general fund; federal funds came from the FVPSA (\$334,035) and VOCA (\$515,000).

During fiscal year 1994-95, the Maryland Department of Human Resources distributed \$1,778,000 for sexual assault services. As with domestic violence services, the bulk of the money (\$1,541,000) was state-generated funds with the remaining \$237,000 furnished by the federal government. All state funds distributed through the Maryland Department of Human Resources were received from tax revenues and the general fund, and federal funds were received from VOCA (\$163,000) and a Preventive Health Block Grant (\$74,000).

Victims of Crime Fund**Fiscal year: July 1994 - June 1995**

The Victims of Crime Fund distributed \$387,000 for both domestic violence and sexual assault services between July 1994 and June 1995. The Byrne Memorial Fund provided the entire amount of federal funding (\$206,000). All state-generated funds (\$176,000) came from court fees, costs, judgments, surcharges, and court-ordered assessments. Researchers were unable to determine the source of the remaining \$5,000 distributed through this agency. This discrepancy is not classified as either state or federal funding, so that amount is not included in the upcoming discussion of total governmental funding. However, because recipients were identified by the agency, the amount is included in a subsequent section on funding recipients.

**Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene
Office of Health Promotion, Education
and Tobacco Use Prevention****Fiscal year: July 1995 - June 1996**

During fiscal year 1995-96 the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene distributed \$1,007,000 for both domestic violence and sexual assault services. A Preventive Health Block Grant furnished the \$145,000 of federal funding distributed through the agency. Nearly six times that amount (\$862,000) came from tax revenues and the general fund.

The allotted distribution for domestic violence services during fiscal year 1995-96 was \$12,000 from the federal Preventive Health Block Grant.

The majority of funds for sexual assault services (\$862,000) was provided by the state and generated by tax revenues/general fund. As with domestic violence, a federal Preventive Health Block Grant (\$132,000) supplied the funding for sexual assault services in the state of Maryland.

**Federal and State Funding Reported by
Maryland State Government Agencies**

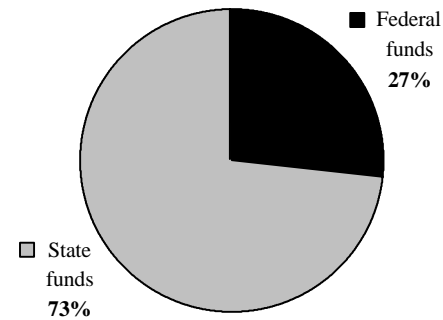
When the domestic violence and sexual assault funds of the three agencies providing such funding are considered in aggregate, the state of Maryland had \$5,409,000 in government funds available between July 1994 and June 1996. Almost three-fourths was derived from state sources. Federal sources such as the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act, Victims of Crime Act, and the Preventive Health Block Grant represent a little over one-quarter of overall domestic violence and sexual assault funding that was available in Maryland during fiscal years 1994-96 (figure 2 and exhibit 4).

Exhibit 4. Federal and state funding totals reported by Maryland state agencies

Federal	\$1,436,000
State	\$3,967,000
Total	\$5,403,000

The greatest source of state funding overall was from tax revenues/general fund, which exceeded \$3.7 million. Funds from court-related charges (\$176,000) provided the remaining funding for domestic violence and sexual assault services. Federal funding was \$1,437,000, the combined total of the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) state formula

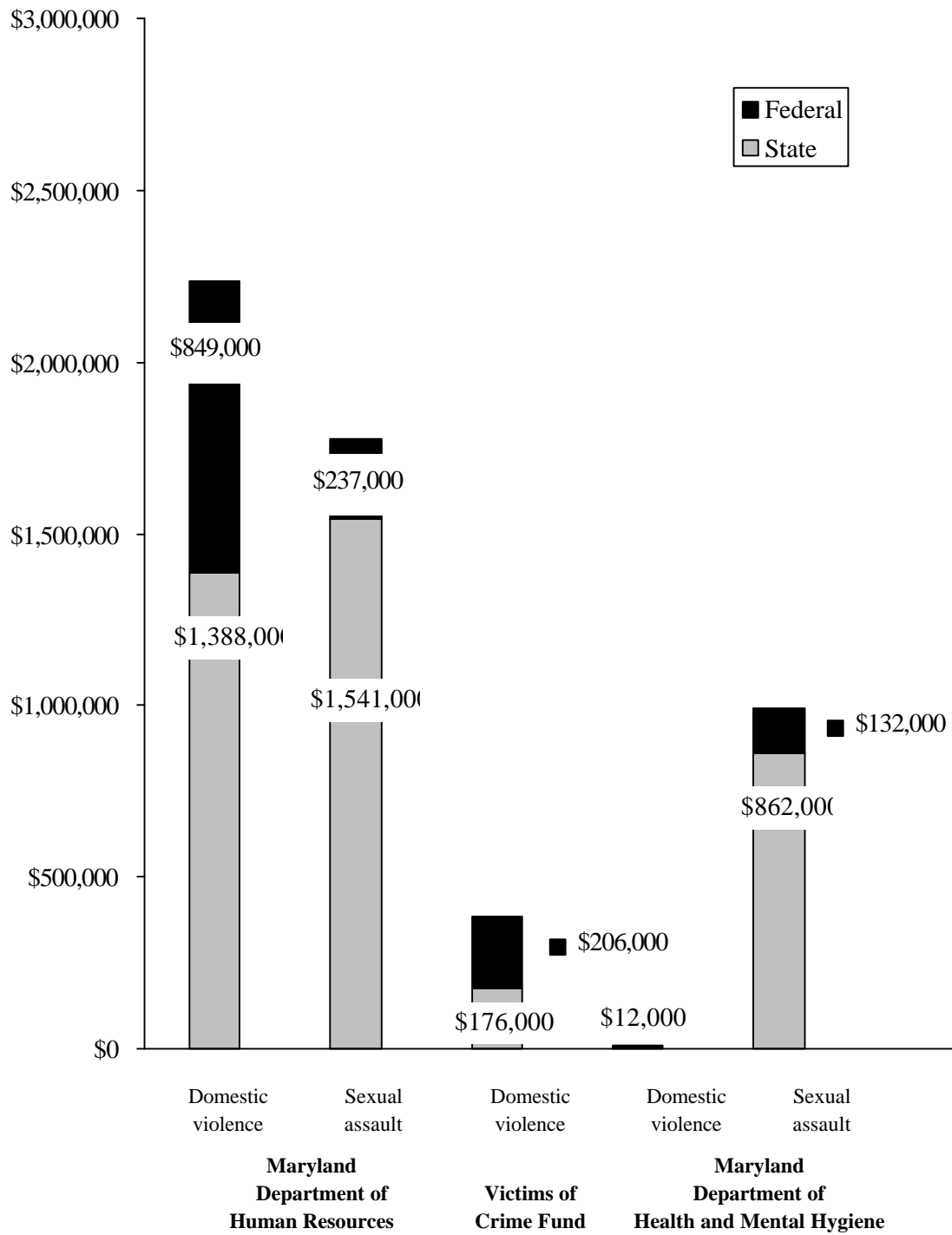
grant, Victims of Crime Act (VOCA), Preventive Health Block Grants, and the Byrne Memorial Fund (exhibit 5).

Figure 2. Percentage of federal and state funds for domestic violence and sexual assault services and prevention administered by Maryland state agencies

Exhibit 5. Sources of government funding reported by Maryland state agencies

<u>Federal funds</u>	<u>State funds</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family Violence and Prevention Act (FVPSA) state formula grant - \$334,000 Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) - \$678,000 Preventive Health Block Grant- \$219,000 Byrne Memorial Fund - \$206,000 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tax revenue/general fund - \$3,791,000 Court fees, costs, judgments, surcharges, court order assessments - \$176,000

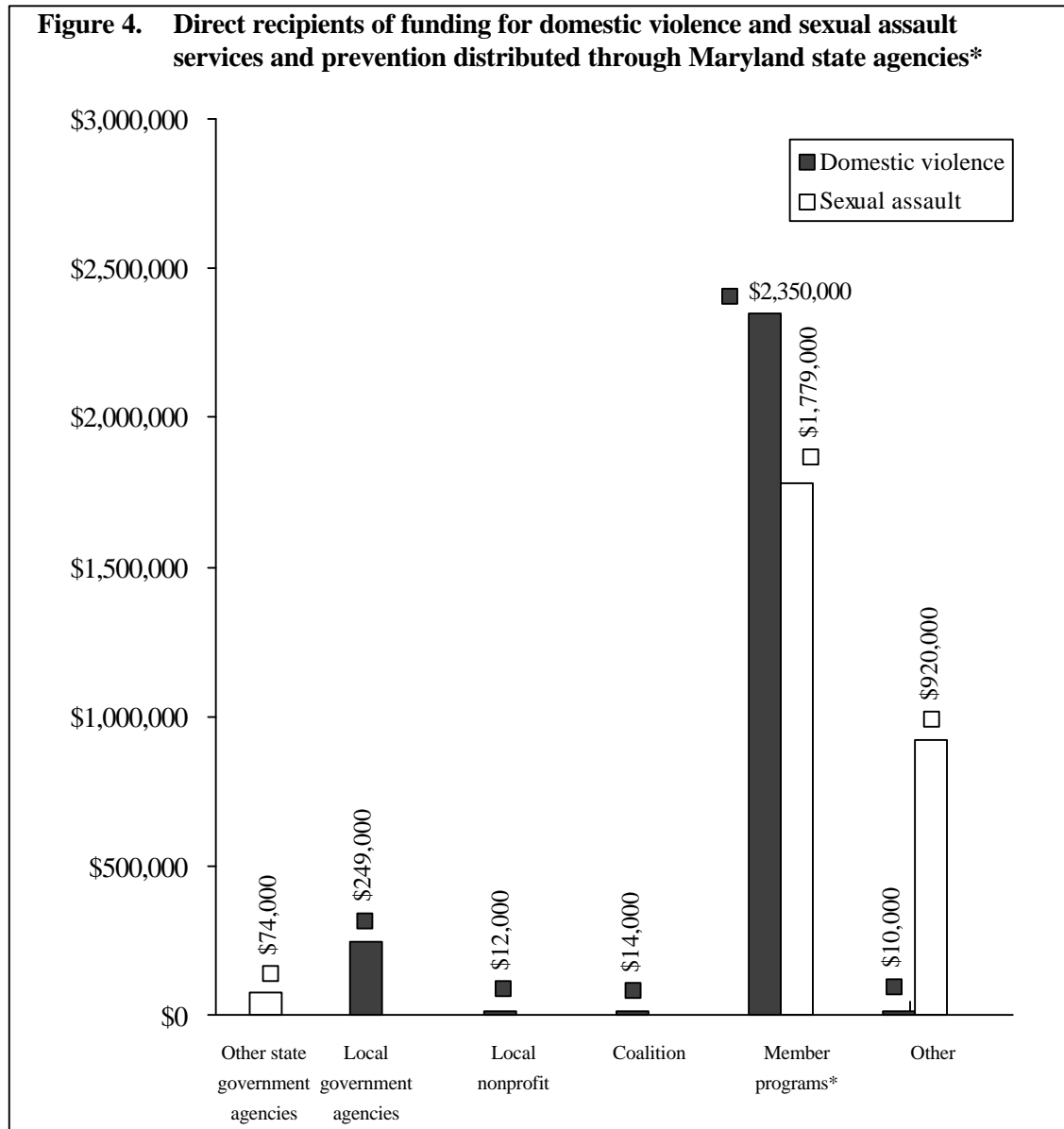
While similar amounts of funding were designated for sexual assault and domestic violence work, state generated funds made up a higher percentage of sexual assault funding than of domestic violence funding (figure 3).

Figure 3. Federal and state funds administered by Maryland state agencies



Distribution of State-Administered Funds

Of the total amount available for domestic violence and sexual assault services during fiscal years 1994-1996, the majority of Maryland's state-administered funds (\$4,129,000) was distributed directly to local domestic violence programs (\$2,350,000) and sexual assault programs (\$1,779,000). Other recipients garner smaller percentages including other state government agencies, local government agencies, local nonprofit agencies, local government agencies, local nonprofit/nongovernmental agencies, and state coalitions. Figure 4 depicts the recipients of domestic violence and sexual assault funding distributed in Maryland during fiscal years 1994-96.



*Reported amounts distributed are greater than amounts received during the fiscal year.

**Included is one program that is not a member of a coalition.

Local Programs and Services Funded Through State Agencies

One local program received funds distributed through a state agency. This program focuses solely on domestic violence services and is not a member of the Maryland Domestic Violence Coalition. Three special populations are served by this program: persons who are HIV positive, the mentally handicapped, and substance abusers. The program provides services for all services examined in the inventory with the exception of transitional/second stage housing. (exhibit 6).

Exhibit 6. Number of local programs (N=1) offering various domestic violence services

<u>Number of programs</u>	<u>Service</u>
1	Independently run domestic violence hotline
1	On-site shelter for abused women and their children
1	Support group for women
1	Legal advocacy program
1	Medical advocacy program
1	Specific support program for sheltered children
1	Services for non-sheltered children
1	Education programs in elementary schools or high schools
1	Education programs in colleges or universities
1	Community education/speakers bureau
1	Training for professionals (e.g., police, court personnel, social workers)
0	Transitional/second-stage housing
1	Treatment/rehabilitation program for batterers
0	Other services

